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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed July 2, 2003, and in view of the PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed herewith, please consider the following remarks and amendments.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIM:**

As shown below, allowed claims 1 - 6 remain as originally filed. Claims 7 and 8 are cancelled without prejudice, and without any disclaimer of the subject matter therein, and new claims 9 – 12 have been added, all as shown below.